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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

ANDREW C. FLORANCE ET AL.

Serial No.: 10/657,275

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR
ACCESSING GEOGRAPHIC-
BASED DATA

Art Unit: 3627

Examiner: MCCLELLAN, JAMES S.

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 18, 2005, Applicants hereby provisionally elect, with traverse, species Group II drawn to a polygonal area for initial examination in the present application. Applicants believe that claims 1-7 and 10 read on the elected species and that claims 8 and 11-14 are generic to all of the species outlined in the Office Action.

However, applicants respectfully traverse the election requirement since all of species I and II are sufficiently related that a thorough and complete search for species Group II drawn to a polygonal area would necessarily encompass a thorough and complete search for the non-elected species. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the election requirement be withdrawn and that all species claimed herein be examined.

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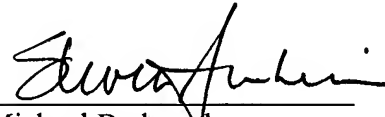
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